

Meredith Brewbaker—Buckland Mills Elementary School

Jonathan Bukva—Reagan Middle School
Carlos Castro—Woodbridge High School
Maria Centini—Hylton High School
Scott Cloud—Reagan Middle School
Cynthia Cole—Marshall Elementary School

Anna Collins-Walker—T. Clay Wood Elementary School

Karen Dominick—Loch Lomond Elementary School

Carla Drew—Osborn Park High School
Carolyn English—Ashland Elementary School

Corey Finn—Patriot High School
Jennifer Fisher—Alvey Elementary School
Donna Garzione—Loch Lomond Elementary School

Lisa Keen—Ashland Elementary School
Rebecca Kronthal—King Elementary School

Cesar Maisonet—Gainesville Middle School
Tiffany McLeod—Enterprise Elementary School

Elizabeth Paiz—T. Clay Wood Elementary School

Linda Poole—Ashland Elementary School
Kristen Putman—T. Clay Wood Elementary School

Eileen Rakshys—Bennett Elementary School

Holley Scheffel—Potomac High School
Natalia Shamshyna—Forest Park High School

Deborah Tekampe—Alvey Elementary School

Nick Thompson—Osborn Park High School

Cynthia Treichler—Hylton High School
Sarah Willey—Henderson Elementary School

Elizabeth Williams—Battlefield High School

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in commending the nominees for 2016–2017 Teacher of the Year Award in Prince William County and in thanking them for their dedication to our children. Their continued service will ensure that Prince William County students receive world-class education in a more vibrant learning community.

DENNY AND CAROLL YULE RECEIVE PRESIDENT'S AWARD FROM THE VVC FOUNDATION

HON. PAUL COOK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 27, 2017

Mr. COOK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding service of Denny and Carroll Yule who will be presented the President's Award from the Victor Valley College Foundation on February 25, 2017.

Dennis and Carol were nominated for this award for their collaborative impact and contributions to Victor Valley College education and the Victor Valley Community. Dennis and Carol have sponsored numerous college scholarships that have enabled students, who otherwise could not afford a degree, to pursue higher education. Without such generous donations from the Yules to the college foundation, some VVC students would not have received their associate degrees. Besides their monetary donations, Carol has volunteered many hours of personal time to guest lecture at Victor Valley College. As described by Victor Valley College Foundation President, the

Yules are "irreplaceable members of our community."

On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives, I would like to thank Denny and Carroll Yule for their tireless work and dedication to the students of the Victor Valley. I congratulate the Yules on receiving the President's Award from the Victor Valley College Foundation.

HONORING THE NAPA OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 27, 2017

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Napa Open Space District which is celebrating its 10th Anniversary. This special District has played a vital role in conversation and recreation in our community for the past decade and will continue to protect open spaces for future generations.

Napa County residents voted to establish the Napa County Regional Park and Open Space District in November 2006 with the goal to preserve wildlife habitat and nature areas. The District does so by conserving open space and creating recreation opportunities including a system of public parks, trails, outdoor recreational facilities for Napa County residents.

The District has had incredible success during its first decade of operation. It has preserved over 5000 acres of open space and parks and maintains over 100 miles of multiuse trails in our community. Community education programs are a major priority for the District, and it runs outdoor science and conservation education programs to reach people of all ages. The District has also facilitated and funded outdoor field trips for thousands of Napa County children, allowing them the opportunity to experience and learn about their local environment.

The parks and recreation opportunities provided by the Napa Open Space District have been tremendously successful and popular. The District's work enhances current Napa's quality of life and also ensures that future generations have the ability to experience the outdoors. Through its work, the District fosters a greater sense of community and pride within our Napa Valley.

Mr. Speaker, the Napa Open Space District conserves our natural resources and provides residents with magnificent open spaces and an enhanced quality of life. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor Napa Open Space District here today.

RECOGNIZING THE NOMINEES FOR THE 2016–2017 PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR AWARD FOR PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY SCHOOLS

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 27, 2017

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the nominees for 2016–2017 Principal of the Year Award for Prince William County Public Schools.

The winner will be named the Prince William County Principal of the Year. Principals who meet the criteria for the award are those who manage effectively, demonstrate and encourage creativity and innovation, foster cooperation between the school and community by maintaining a continuous dialogue with students, parents, faculty, and staff, demonstrate leadership, and exemplify commitment.

The Prince William County Public School System was established in 1869 and was originally managed by individual magisterial districts until the Prince William County School Board was founded in 1923. Today, there are more than 90,000 students in 97 schools within the Prince William County School Division—59 elementary schools, 16 middle schools, 12 high schools, one Governor's school, three special education schools, two nontraditional schools, two traditional schools, one special education school, and one K–8 school—making it the second largest school division in the Commonwealth of Virginia. In Prince William County Schools, each grade level of course study is grounded in a purposefully designed plan that frameworks the knowledge and skills that will be developed during the school year.

I would like to extend my personal congratulations to the following 2016–2017 Prince William County nominees for Principal of the Year Award:

Connie Balkcom—Buckland Mills Elementary School

Neil Beech—Osborn Park High School

Mark Boyd—Vaughan Elementary School

Marlene Coleman—Dumfries Elementary School

Susan Danielson—Rosa Parks Elementary School

Jodi Pankowski—PACE East School

Nathaniel Provencio—Minnieville Elementary School

Barry Rosenberg—Swans Creek Elementary School

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in commending the nominees for 2016–2017 Principal of the Year Award in Prince William County and in thanking them for their dedication to leadership in our school system. Their continued service will ensure our Prince William County students are provided with a world-class education in a more vibrant learning community.

TRIBUTE TO ROY JOHNSTON THE WINNINGEST BOYS BASKETBALL COACH IN MICHIGAN HIGH SCHOOL HISTORY

HON. JOHN R. MOOLENAAR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 27, 2017

Mr. MOOLENAAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Roy Johnston, the Head Coach of Beaverton High School and the winningest boys basketball coach in Michigan high school history with 729 wins and counting.

Born in his grandparents' farmhouse near the Lake Huron shores, Roy Johnston never forgot his Michigan roots as he moved up the ranks to the title he holds today. Roy was raised in the Crosswell-Lexington area of Michigan and received honorable mention All-State as a guard at his high school. After graduating from Eastern Michigan University with a degree in teaching, Roy's passion for guiding